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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Alfred Joseph Wujciak

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 10 October 2000.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 2-6 and 8 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 2-6 and 8 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claims _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are objected to by the Examiner.
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been:
1. ☐ received.
2. ☐ received in Application No. (Series Code / Serial Number) _____.
3. ☐ received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

- 14) ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. & 119(e).

Attachment(s)

- 15) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 16) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 17) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) 2.
- 18) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s) _____.
- 19) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 20) ☐ Other:

DETAILED ACTION

This is the final Office Action for the serial number 09/348,742, Banded Mount, filed on 7/6/99.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 2-6 and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent # 5,098,051 to Aldridge et al.

Aldridge et al. discloses an aluminum (col. 7, line 5-7) stabilizer wire mount (53) for attaching the pole comprising a rectangular base plate (54, 55) having a top and bottom surface and a front and back edge. The top surface having an integral boss (62) positioned in center and at least one upwardly raised ribs (56, 57, 58, 59) defining a channel (60). The bottom surface having front and back edge (see figure 5, 2 and 22). The boss comprises a loop (51). The front and back edge having a pair of depending serrated edges (see attachment of Aldridge et al., figure 15, a). At least one band (2) seated in the channel and extending around the pole (see figure 17). A loop (51) on the base defining an opening therethrough.

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Respons to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 7/6/99 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

The applicant argues that Aldridge et al. '051 does not show the loop being mounted centrally of the boss. The examiner believes that Aldridge et al. '051 in figure 18 shows the fastener is in center of the boss, it would be obvious to add female part of loop to the male part of fastener.

The applicant argues that Aldridge et al. '051 does not teach the bottom surface having front and back edge with a pair of depending serrated edges. The examiner believes that in figure 13, reference number 46 shows the front and back edge having a serrated edge to provide a gripping force when mounting on the pole.

Conclusion

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of

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the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Joey Wujciak whose telephone number is (703) 306-5994. This examiner uses a Text-Telephone –Device for the Deaf (TDD). Please first dial the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 and give the operator the examiner's phone number. The fax machine phone number for the Technology Center is (703) 308-3519 or (703) 308-3636.



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